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WITH OTHER EDITORS

WHAT WE CAN AND MUST DO

From The New York Times

Two major items in the news of the past few days belong together. One is Secretary Marshall's speech before the Congress of Industrial Organizations. The other is Secretary Krug's report on what the United States can contribute to Europe's recovery....Secretary Krug tells us plainly...and voluminously —that we can invest twenty billion dollars in Western Europe without doing serious harm to our resources. We have, or will have, the grain, coal, machinery and fertilizer that will be needed. We can spare the steel if we have assurances that none of it will be wasted. And we will gain, as Europe will, in the long run.

If Secretary Krug was convincing in his estimate of what we can do, Secretary Marshall was eloquent in his demonstration of why we have to do it. In a speech rising above the clamor and confusion of our days he again clarified the supreme issue that confronts mankind. This is simply "whether or not men are to be left free to organize their social, political and economic existence in accordance with their desires or whether they are to have their lives arranged and dictated for them by small groups of men who have arrogated to themselves this arbitrary power." This issue, as he pointed out, is as old as recorded history. But in the world today it has assumed more menacing proportions than ever before, until "we are faced with the danger of the actual disappearance of the characteristics of Western civilization on which our Government and our manner of living are based."

This issue the United States has always resolved in one way, and one way only. It did this in the Declaration of Independence, which proclaimed the unalienable rights of all men. It fought a Civil War to make these rights effective for all men. On this issue it entered the First World War. It gave the same answer in the Second World War, when, in describing the Nazi menace, President Roosevelt said that it was "a revolution which proposes not to set men free but to reduce them to slavery in the interest of a dictatorship." This principle entered into the Atlantic Charter and the Charter of the United Nations.

Now i is menaced from another quarter—Soviet Russia. And as secretary Marshall warns us, we must once again face the facts. We dare not stand aloof or straddle the issue. That does not in any sense mean that our alliance with Russia in both World Wars was a mistake, or that facing the issue again means courting a new world war. On the contrary, in each war we took our allies where we found them. If we erred it was in our initial weakness, indecision and inactivity, not in our choice of allies.

Facing the facts of our age, we do not now engage in a starry-eyed crusade to crush either communism or the Russian regime. Quite otherwise. Our whole war and peace policy has been based on the hope that our system and the Russian system, or any other system, can live side by side in peace and mutual cooperation for the benefit of all. That is our hope still, and the aim cannot be realized by either inactivity or appeasement. In the Truman Doctrine and the Marshall Plan we have forsworn both.

By the Truman Doctrine we have taken a stand not against the Russian regime but against direct or indirect aggression intended to impose totalitarian regimes on free peoples, as Russia has done in the Baltics, Poland and the Balkans, and is now attempting to do in Greece and Northeast Asia. By the Marshall Plan and the program of interim aid to Europe we have undertaken to avert hunger and chaos, which open the gates to dictatorships. We are trying to help Europe to help itself toward a reconstruction which will preserve its freedom and democracy.

Secretary Krug's report is by all odds the most complete evidence we have had that we can give this help without serious damage to ourselves. The need for it was underlined yesterday by nine members of a House committee, returning from a continental tour convinced that we must give aid "to prevent a complete downfall of Europe." And Secretary Marshall's manly and moving words must not be forgotten. Our own welfare and freedom are at stake. The task calls us. We shall fail in it only at our peril.

BEFORE THE NEW ORDER

(The Christian Century)

It is quite possible that there will be far more disorder in Asia than there now is before the new order begins to emerge. The peoples of the West, the nations in the UN, will simply have to learn to live patiently with that disorder. The Dutch and French hope of maintaining their empires and hanging on to the rich profits of the old Asiatic colonialism is a dream, as the British had sense enough to know.

No military, political or economic intervention will end the prevalent disorder for more than a brief moment; if attempted, such intervention will presently make the disorder worse. The only kind of intervention that will help toward a firm peace and order in the East is the Christian intervention, through constructive service in the lifting of educational, social and moral standards. But that is the long, slow process of leaven in the lump.

Q. E. D.

(St. Louis Dispatch).

"The only way to prevent war is to make it obvious beyond question which side will win if war takes place." —Bertrand Russell, British philosopher and mathematician, at Amsterdam, September 30.

RIGHT BUT BRIEF

(Cincinnati Engineer)

In a current radio commercial, eight seconds of silence is broadcast. This is an excellent though short step in the right direction.

AFFECTIONATE SMUGGLERS

(United Nations World)

Foreign air travelers will no longer be allowed to kiss or hug local friends waiting for them at Mexico City's airport, according to a decree under consideration by the department of civil aeronautics.

This policy is already in force in London and the department said it might follow suit because British authorities found many people used the embrace to smuggle in goods duty-free.

PRINCESS ELIZABETH'S SKIRT

(Roanoke Times)

Maybe it was sheer coincidence but Princess Elizabeth's first public appearance in London since the long skirt fashion started a controversy that is still raging and showing no signs of abating gave great comfort, not to say elation, to British women who are staunchly resisting the advent of the lower hemline. The Associated Press, which is always on the qui vive when great and world-shaking events are taking place, reports that the Princess "chose a suit with a skirt just covering the knees" and draws the deduction that "in avoiding long skirts she was siding with the home team in the British stylists' war on the Paris and New York trend." Hooray for the Princess, hooray for the short skirt! Let the just-above the ankles style addicts make what they like about it.

"GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features

By NANCY PEPPER

Yours for the Asking -

Maybe you can't tell a book by its cover, but you can guess what kind of a party it's going to be by the invitation. If it's just one of those straight-forward "Come to the party" jobs, you can expect the usual. But if it's any of these bids with a bang, anything can happen. And it usually does!

In the Bag—A brown paper bag, tied with a gay ribbon to which is attached your name, is delivered mysteriously to your house or shoved into your locker. On opening it, you find lots of little pieces of paper, folded tightly. On each is written another fact about the party: where, what, when — and even "why." On one piece is a number with instructions that you bring it to the party in order to match up with your partner. Sounds like a big deal. Wish we could crash!

Color Blind—A little ribbon bow on your invitation establishes your color for the evening. You are instructed to wear the bow in your hair; your partner is told to wear a tie of the same color. Unless you're color blind, you should have no trouble finding him.

Formal Fun—Your hostess has cut out photos of teenagers in lush formals and pasted them on the invitation to indicate that you're to be a teen queen for a night. Even the simplest evening becomes an enchanted ball when you swish around in something floor length and floaty.

Ghost Writing—Write your invitation invisibly with lemon juice and send along instructions to apply a hot iron to the paper. It's counter-spy stuff!

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Jabberwocky and Jive

Meet My Paw—Shake hands.

I'm Feelin' Mighty Low—Said just like that character on the radio.

Yearling—A freshman. (Nothing to do with the picture of the same name.)

Warden—Principal. And the classroom is your cell.

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BOY IN HAND

(Worth Two in Hollywood)

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I like them tender, just like Glenn;
For added spice, I like a slant
Of Meanie Mason in my men.
Since I can't find this ideal Joe,
Why should I sit around and wait?
I'll settle for my O.A.O.—
He's not ideal—but HE'S A DATE!

TRIXIE TEEN SAYS—

Are you the jill who beats her gums every time she hears her last? Do you tend with the wrong round effects when you're supposed to follow with the right steps? You must think the invitation to dance is your cue to set the music to words: To start a monologue about yourself or to exchange gay—and loud—banter with the stag line. If you can remember that silence is often golden, you'll be the lady bug who glitters when the fire flies.

TEEN-AGE TRIUMPHS By Stookie Allen

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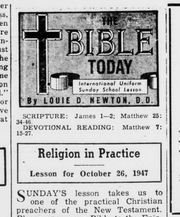

SCRIPTURE: James 1—2; Matthew 25: 34-46.
DEVOTIONAL READING: Matthew 7: 15-27.

Religion in Practice

Lesson for October 26, 1947

SUNDAY'S lesson takes us to one of the practical Christian preachers of the New Testament. Please open your Bible to the Epistle of James, and read especially the first two chapters. James was a man of great faith, but he realized, as we must realize, that faith is best expressed in works.

Dr. Newton

Then read Matthew 25: 34-46, and for the devotional lesson, read Matthew 7: 15-27.

When you shall have read these passages, you will then be ready for the consideration of religion in everyday life.

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A Cup of Cold Water

WHAT, someone will be asking, can I do to help my desire to be of actual service, in the name of Jesus. Jesus tells us. He says that whosoever shall give a cup of cold water in His name is doing the will of God.

We live in a world that poignantly waits for a cup of cold water. I have just returned from another trip through Europe. I was there in 1946, and I felt then that life in Europe had reached the last possible expression of need. But this past summer I was startled to witness a still greater need.

The question that immediately came to mind as I observed conditions in Germany and England and other countries this past summer was this, What can we do to meet such need? And the answer was ready at hand—give them what you have, in the name of Jesus.

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Doers of the Word

JAMES makes much of practical religion in everyday life. He tells us that we are to be doers of the word and not mere sayers of the word, or hearers of the word. And here he means the Word of God—the will of God.

Is there a misunderstood boy in your block? Is there a girl in your class at school who suffers from some bitter criticism? This lesson would suggest to every Christian boy and girl to go in sympathetic understanding to such neighbors and help them to overcome these handicaps. Thus we become doers of the will of God.

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Living Our Religion

WHAT we are determines what people think of our religion, not what we say about our religious life. James tells us in Sunday's lesson that faith without works is dead. It is that very truth that our generation so much needs to get hold upon.

We have many perplexing situations in our world. Racial differences, differences regarding capital and labor, and so forth and so on.

How are these problems to be solved? By resolutions? We know that many very pious resolutions have been adopted concerning these problems, but still the problems remain.

One Christian in any given community who applies the teaching of James to everyday life will start a train of events that will add up to the solution of any problem, social, economic or what not. We must translate our beliefs into action.

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The More Excellent Way

JAMES goes on to assure us that when we undertake faithfully to live our religion, we may confidently claim the promise of God that if any man lack wisdom, let him ask of God who giveth liberally unto all men, and upbraideth not.

The conclusion of the whole matter, therefore, is to face life as we find it, taking into account the actual facts, and boldly and confidently tackling the job in the assurance that the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ is always sufficient for any and every situation.

The more excellent way of the Golden Rule is the answer to the whole matter. But the Golden rule is impotent until it is translated into action.

And the best of it all is that it actually works. When someone asked Morrison what Christianity was doing for China, he replied: "Christianity is changing China into a community of God." That is precisely what this lesson will do for your community, if you apply its teachings to life as you find it.

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From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

"Take Pen in Hand"

This column has been running for so long that its readers, in person as like ours all over the country, are beginning to "take pen in hand" and write us what they think.

Some of them take me over the coals for what I say—like the colonel I ran on planting alfalfa. Others write, "I liked your column yesterday, but....." All of them have different points of view.

From where I sit, that's the way it should be. Everybody's entitled to his opinion—and it's those very differences, and friendly criticism, that make for tolerance and better understanding—whether it's ideas on planting alfalfa or choosing between beer and cider.

The more folks air their differences right out in public, with a neighborly respect for the other person's liberties and point of view, the closer we are to the American principle of individual freedom—whether it's in a choice of crops or beverages.

Joe Marsh

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Oakville

Oakville, Oct. 21.- Little Tommy Drinkard celebrated his sixth birthday October 4th, with a party in the afternoon. A large number was present, including relatives and friends from Kingsport, Tenn., Roanoke and Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Drinkard and family spent Sunday, October 12th, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Drinkard. Others present were Mr. and Mrs. John Moore and son, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Bethel and Anbrey Drinkard.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Martin, Mr. and Mrs. C. Roland Smith and family and Ricky Smith were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Rogers Sunday.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Moore during last week were Mrs. Wagner, from Norfolk, and Coleman Moore, from Richmond.

Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wilkerson during last week-end were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wilkerson, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Wilkerson, Mr. and Mrs. Huberr Wilkerson, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Adams, Mrs. Gladys Woodson and Mrs. Sam Bingham and son.

Mesdames Gladys Woodson, C. E. Wilkerson and Ed Lucado visited Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bingham at Altavista recently.

Rev. W. M. Black, of Pamplin, delivered a fine sermon at Red Oak Church last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Curry Harvey and Houston Crowder, Jr., of Lynchburg were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Harvey last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Marsh have moved into their new home near here. His mother, Mrs. T. G. Marsh entertained for them recently with a miscellaneous shower. A host of friends and relatives attended and many nice gifts were presented the honorees.

Miss Mario Owens spent the week end at her home, Jonesville, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Page and daughter spent week-end with her parents at Appomattox.

Mrs. T. L Page, who has been a patient for several weeks at Virginia Baptist Hospital, was able to leave last week, and go to the home of her son, Percy in Lynchburg. This week she is staying with her daughter, Mrs. Bob Wells in Farmville.

Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Martin on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Martin and family, Mr. and Mrs. Riley Meggerson and family and Mr. and Mrs. David Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Moore and sons visited in the home of her parents at Madison Heights Sunday.

Mrs. Lonnie Reynolds and son spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Martin last week. Gail Drinkard also visited in this home.

Mrs. Carl Martin and daughter spent last week in Lynchburg with relatives.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Drinkard were Mr. and Mrs. Louis Moore and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Smith and family, and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Martin. Those visiting in this home Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs C. T. Moore, Jr. and daughter, Joan.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Harding, Garland and Jean Harding spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wooldridge, in the afternoon they visited Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Burge.

Mr. and Mrs. Wartley Taylor and family, of Kingsport, Tenn., visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Martin and other relatives last week.

During last week Mrs. H. R. Hatchett and son, Billy, of Greensboro, N. C., Mr. and Mrs. Murphy Phelps and son, Jimmy Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Lindsay, of Lynchburg; Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Nash and family, Mr. and Mrs. Twyman Phelps and daughter, Margaret and Pvt. Ira B. Phelps, Jr. were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ira B. Phelps.

Evergreen

Evergreen, Oct. 21.- Mr. and Mrs. Sam White and family, of Lynchburg spent Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Staples.

Mrs. A. B. Ferguson is still improving. Those who visited her recently were: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Chernault, Mrs. Driskill and son, Warren, all from Lynchburg; J. R Coleman, of Charlottesville; M. H. Coleman, of Washington; Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Baldwin and two sons, of Hollywood; Mrs. Howard Glover and three children, Mrs. Ruth Jennings and son, Douglas; Mrs. Z. E. Cheatham, Mrs. C. T. Evans, Mrs. Ella Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Hamlin, Mrs. Wilbun and two children.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Dickerson, of Amherst were dinner guests Monday of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warriner.

Mrs. B. E. Couch and Mrs. Ford from Richmond spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Glover.

Mrs. Sam Jennings spent several days last week in Christiansburg, with her son and family. She was accompanied home by Mrs. Daniel Jennings and daughter to spend this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Farrar called to see Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Glover recently.

Mrs. Jimmie Evans is much better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Cox, from Crewe are visiting relatives around here this week.

Mrs. L. L. Stewart is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Farrar and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Martin were visitors in North Carolina recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Blackwell called to see her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Green Garrette.

Mrs. Howard Glover called to see Mrs. Green Garrette Monday P. M.

Mrs. T. T. Evans, who has been a patient in the hospital has returned home much improved.

Mrs. Z. E. Cheatham and Mrs. Earl Harris were in Lynchburg on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Evans and daughter, Ann visited Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Evans Sunday.

Spout Spring

Spout Spring, Oct. 23.- Mrs. Arthur Almond is a patient at the Virginia Baptist Hospital. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Franklin spent Sunday in Petersburg with relatives.

The Y. W. A.'s meet Tuesday night in the home of Miss Pauline Layne.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Wilkerson spent Sunday in Oakville with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wilkerson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jennings were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Puckett.

Miss Florence Layne, of Lynchburg spent the week-end at her home here.

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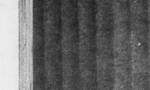

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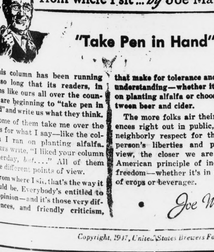

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